

**What's New?**

- **Abroad the USS STENNIS:** The RSEP team delivered 99 briefings/lectures.
- **Afghanistan – 1st MET:** New seminar and new partnership.
- **Luxembourg – NATO Seminar:** New seminar with 19 NATO/PIP countries.
- **(New) Center: CSRS:** Inaugurated in September.
- **(New) SIGS Staff:** CCMR, CHDS, CSRS
- **Mobile Training Teams:** Romania, El Salvador, Honduras . . .

RSEP: Regional Security Education Program**The USS Stennis crew with the RSEP Team****USS JOHN STENNIS Strike Group:**

The Regional Security Education Program (RSEP) Team of Naval Postgraduate School professors delivered 99 briefs and lectures in seven different locations aboard STENNIS and three escort ships. The importance of the RSEP program cannot be overstated. **RADM Patrick Walsh**, in a recent letter, noted the contributions that RSEP has made to the sailors of the STENNIS Strike Group.

US Coast Guard Cutter MUNRO

The first RSEP program with the U.S. Coast Guard took place on 20 August. A two-person NPS team briefed the MUNRO crew about the Middle East just prior to their first military deployment to Iraq.

The Dean's Corner**September/October:**

The fall semester has been a busy one for SIGS due to new programs, new hires, new METs, and visitors/trips. As a result, we've expanded our newsletter to better reflect current activities. To kickoff this issue, I would like to recognize the following SIGS staff:

>> Congratulations:

- **Richard Hoffman (Director, CCMR)**

After an intensive search, *Richard Hoffman*, was selected as the Dir, Center for Civil-Military Relations. He is currently the Executive Director, CCMR. A West Point and Stanford graduate, Hoffman came to NPS in 1996 following a distinguished career in the Army (NATO, Germany, etc). While Executive Dir, CCMR became a global education and training center, recognized worldwide. We look forward to many more successful programs and growth under Hoffman's leadership.

- **David O'Keefe (Dep Dir, CHDS)**

David O'Keefe joined SIGS in September as the Deputy Dir, Center for Homeland Defense and Security. O'Keefe is responsible for the financial, programmatic, and strategic direction of the Center's operations. He comes to SIGS from the private sector. His expertise is in business development and emergency management.

- **Matt Vaccaro (Program Manager, CSRS)**

Matt Vaccaro will be leading our newest Center, Center for Stabilization and Reconstruction Studies. Vaccaro, a former DepDir, OSD/Stability Operations, has extensive background in peacekeeping and peace operations.

>> Letter of Commendation:

Each year, the NPS Award Committee polls students and alumni to identify the top 5% faculty members for excellence in teaching. I am happy to announce that the following instructors were recognized by the Provost:

- **Professor Kent Wall, DRMI**
- **Professor Daniel Moran, NSA**
- **Associate Professor Lyman Miller, NSA**

>> Medal of Honor:

In September, **Dr. Tom Bruneau**, Dir, CCMR, was presented a Medal of Honor from the Government of Mongolia--the highest honor bestowed on a foreigner.

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>> Afghanistan



AFGHANISTAN: 1st Mobile Education Team

Over 50 Afghanistan students (colonels, flag level officers, and top civilian personnel) from critical civilian and defense ministries attended the first-ever CCMR workshop on "Civil Service Personnel Management". The workshop, held in Kabul 20-27 September, was conducted at the request of the MoD. It was specifically designed to assist the country with the development of a human resources plan that incorporates civilian personnel into the MoD.

>> New SIGS Program

CSRS:

Center for Stabilization and Reconstruction Studies. On 9 September, Congressman Farr designated CSRS as NPS's newest center at a ceremony in Washington D.C. CSRS will focus on how best to stabilize and reconstruct war-torn societies. Courses, to be offered in fall 2005, will cover a wide range of issues—from security to organizing constitutional assemblies.

Center for Civil-Military Relations (CCMR):



MG Magsarjav (left) congratulates Dr. Bruneau (center)

MONGOLIA: Medal of Honor

In a small ceremony at the MoD's office, Dr. Tom Bruneau, Dir, CCMR, was presented a Medal of Honor from MG Magsarjav, Ministry of Defense on 9 September. This was the highest honor to bestow upon a foreigner, and Bruneau is the second civilian to receive this award. The award recognizes CCMR's outstanding contribution in



NATO: Partnership for Peace

Luxembourg: NATO Seminar:

In May, NPS was designated by the Secretary of State as the only U.S. NATO Partnership for Peace (PfP) Education and Training Center. On 7-9 September, the IDARM program held a 3-day seminar in Luxembourg with the NATO Maintenance and Supply Agency for 34 participants from 19 NATO and PfP countries. This was the first major PfP event we have sponsored in our new role as the U.S. NATO PfP Education and Training Center.

NATO Training Group's Visit:

On 6 October, Provost Elster and Dean Ord welcomed 40+ representatives from 31 NATO/PfP countries to SIGS. The group was in San Francisco for its 60th meeting on promoting efficiency and economy in NATO training. Since NPS is now a PfP Center, the NATO group was interested in seeing the facilities and gaining a better understanding of the university.

Formal Presentation: NPS as a PfP Center:

In September, NPS presented formally to the U.S. Mission in NATO--for distribution to PfP countries--a comprehensive document outlining how we can enhance the education activities of 45 NATO and Partner countries.

Homeland Security

>> Updates

- **New Masters Degree Class:** To begin on 27 October with 32 students from Local, State, and Federal offices. MA program is 18 months in-length.
- **METS:** 1-day intensive seminar with new Governors and staff.
 - **Colorado** – 20 September
 - **Hawaii/Pacific Rim** – 27 September
 - **Ohio** – 8 October
 - **Wyoming** – 20 October

>> NORTHCOM Trip

On 27 September, Dean Ord had a productive meeting with NORTHCOM's Deputy Commander, **Joseph Inge**, LTG, U.S. Army, about NORTHCOM's sponsorship of a new Masters Degree program for Command personnel. Details of this new venture are being finalized. We can expect NORTHCOM students in 2005.

Defense Resources Management Institute (DRMI):

>> International Defense Management Course

52 international military officers and civilians from 42 countries are currently attending DRMI's 11-week course on how best to manage limited defense resources (20 Sept–3 Dec). In late October, students

advancing U.S.-Mongolian relations. Note: CCMR has been active in Mongolia since 1995 conducting seminars on defense restructuring and peacekeeping.

ROMANIA: Anti-terrorism Seminar

A four-person CCMR team was in Romania 6-10 September to assist the country with an enhanced understanding of civil-military cooperation in antiterrorism operations and emergency situations—such as humanitarian assistance and disaster relief. 51 military and civilians from all-levels of the Romanian government participated in this seminar.

EL SALVADOR: Civil-Military Seminar

46 officials from the Chief of the Armed forces, Joint Staff, and Center for High Strategic Studies participated in a 3-day seminar, 7-9 September, in San Salvador. Seminar's focus was on the U.S. war on terrorism and its impact on U.S.-El Salvadoran foreign relations. Note: Although controversial, the deployment of Salvadoran troops to Iraq is a source of great pride to the participants and they were interested in the political issues unfolding in the U.S. presidential campaign.

HONDURAS: Int'l Peacekeeping Seminar

A two-person CCMR team was in Honduras to conduct a seminar on "Civil Military Relations and International Peacekeeping", 20-24 Sept. 35 military and civilian students (including seven persons working on the MoD's White Book) attended the seminar. Note: The White Book is MoD Brevé's effort to restructure and reform the armed forces. Students were interested in discussing bilateral US-Honduras relations, the role of the UN in peacekeeping, and how Honduras can combat terrorism.



UPCOMING EVENTS



Mobil Education Teams METS (Projected):

- Oct 18-29: Lithuania (Defense Resource Mgt)
- Oct 26-29: Ukraine (Defense Restructuring)
- Oct (TBD): Cambodia (Site survey)
- Nov 2-12: Bosnia (Defense Resource Mgt)
- Nov (TBD): Bulgaria (EIPC)
- Nov (TBD): Estonia (Crisis Management)

Trips:

- Oct 25-29: Wash DC (Dean Ord)

traveled to Wash D.C. to meet with Pentagon, State Department, White House, and other officials to gain a better understanding how each agency manages its resources as well as discussions on current issues affecting the world—Iraq, Afghanistan, and others.

>> BERLIN: Defense Economics Conference

Professor Melese chaired three separate sessions on defense management—confronting budget constraints, countering new threats, and the economic challenge of force reduction—at the Conference on Defense Economics in Berlin, Germany, 21-24 September. The conference was sponsored by the George Marshall Center and was attended by all NATO/PfP countries.

National Security Affairs (NSA):

Department News:

- **Dr. Wirtz** was just elected to a two-year term as President, International Security and Arms Control Section of the American Political Science Association.
- **Dr. Lavoy & Dr. Wirtz** led three teams in a joint USAF and JFCOM sponsored war-game, "Unified Global Engagement". Purpose was to examine the utility of the new joint warfare concepts.

>> Counter-Drug Seminar

NGB Sponsored Seminar, 27-30 September. 24 students from local, State, Federal, and Military Departments that manage counter-drug efforts (e.g. *National Guard Bureau, DEA, State Dept, SOUTHCOM, Army, Air Force, Florida Dept. of Law Enforcement*) participated in an advanced seminar on "Drug Control Strategy and Policy". Speakers from the White House, Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP), Department of Homeland Security, State Dept., among others, discussed the realities of drugs and terrorism, the ONDCP office post-9/11, and a regional strategy to combat trafficking.

>> Conference: Capabilities-Based Defense Planning

80 academic, OSD, Navy, Air Force, Defense agencies, intelligence, and private sector persons attended a four-day conference/ workshop to discuss strategic concepts, and policy approaches on the following areas:

- Global Strike Warfare
- Capabilities Based Defense Planning
- Dissuasion

Former Assistant Secretary of Defense, Ted Warner, and other notable speakers from various Pentagon officials such as OSD, the Joint Staff, Office of Force Transformation, Defense Threat Reduction Agency discussed various strategies and methodologies to reconfigure today's defense in light of today's threats.